

City of Amesbury Lakes and Waterways Commission Meeting of Mar 21st, 2013 Amesbury Health Center Cafeteria

MEETING MINUTES:

Commission members present: Chairman Bruce Georgian, Alex Pooler, and Laura Pooler

Secretary: Ken Aspeslagh City Engineer: Not present

The meeting began at 6:39 PM.

1. Previous Meeting Minutes:

The meeting minutes from Feb 21, 2013 were approved unanimously.

- 2. Other business: Alex nominated and elected to be vice-chair.
- 3. Engineers Report: not present
- 4. Lower Millyard:
 - a. Bruce asks: Should we support this project at upcoming city meetings? Alex: All town groups should be involved. Ken: We should support the kayak and canoe launch as well as Riverwalk extension over river. Alex: Our interest in project aligns with the goals of the Coastal Trails Coalition. Laura: Will work on drafting a letter in support of the aspects of the project that are waterways-related. We'll all do some research and give some input.
 - **b.** We'll find out the dates of City Council or Finance meetings where we could submit the letters or voice support.

5. Assessment Document:

- a. All water bodies completed. Ken: We should revise or refine the Purposes statements and write an execute summary. What are our purposes:
 - *i.* To be a resource about water-bodies for residents. Any question someone has about the water-bodies should be in the document. Central place for documents/grants.
 - *ii.* Do bodies of water meet best use for the city? Identify primary use to city. (For each body of water.) And how do we get there if we're not meeting it.
 - *iii.* Threat identification is important so it can be used as a guideline when prioritizing.
 - *iv.* There should be a section for each body for storm water management.
 - v. Develop recommendations.
- b. We should develop a use table and maybe icons for each body.
- c. Alex offers to make info-graphic map.
- d. Ken: L&W water bodies part of website should be updated with the info from this document.

6. Being involved in Lower Millyard:

- a. Alex received reply from Joe Fahey that did not address any of his key points.
- 7. Lake Statuses: No updates

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 PM The next meeting is April 18th.